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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) being Reviewed by the Federal Communications

**Commission, Comments Requested** 

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden and as required by the

Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 - 3520), the Federal Communications

Commission (FCC) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity

to comment on the following information collection(s). Comments are requested concerning:

whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the

functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the

accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity

of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the

respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information

technology; and further ways to reduce the information burden for small business concerns with

fewer than 25 employees.

The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently

valid OMB Control Number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply

with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not

display a valid Control Number.

**DATES:** Written Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before

INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL

**REGISTER**]. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do

so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the FCC contact listed

below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your PRA comments to Leslie F. Smith, Federal Communications

Commission (FCC), via the Internet at Leslie. Smith@fcc.gov. To submit your PRA comments

by e-mail, send them to PRA@fcc.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information, contact Leslie F.

Smith at (202) 418-0217, or via the Internet at PRA@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**OMB Control Number:** 3060-0741.

**Title:** Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of

1996, CC Docket No. 96-98, Second Report and Order and Memorandum Opinion and Order;

Second Order on Reconsideration; CC Docket No. 99-273, First Report and Order.

Form Number: N/A.

**Type of Review:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Respondents:** Business or other for-profit.

**Number of Respondents and Responses:** 5,907 respondents; 573,767 responses.

(The respondents are now more likely to be using advanced IT software, automation, and standardized business practices to respond to a request for the sharing of directory listings, which accounts for their ability to provide a greater number of responses each year with a reduced incremental burden.)

**Estimated Time per Response:** 1 hour to 547,500 hours.

**Frequency of Response:** Annual, on occasion, and one time reporting requirements, recordkeeping requirement, and third party disclosure requirement.

**Obligation to Respond:** Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. 151, 153, 154, 201, 222 and 251.

**Total Annual Burden:** 574,448 hours.

Total Annual Cost: No cost.

**Privacy Impact Assessment:** No impact(s).

**Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:** The Commission is not requesting respondents to submit confidential information to the Commission. If the Commission requests that carriers or providers submit information which they believe is confidential, the carriers or providers may request confidential treatment of their information under 47 CFR Section 0.459 of the Commission's rules.

**Needs and Uses:** In April 1996, the Commission issued a <u>Notice of Proposed Rulemaking</u> (NPRM) concerning certain provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("the Act"), including section 251. Section 251 is designed to accelerate private sector development and

deployment of telecommunications technologies and services by spurring competition. The

Commission adopted rules and regulations designed to implement certain provisions of section

251, and to eliminate operational barriers to competition in the telecommunications services

markets.

**OMB Control Number:** 3060-0823.

**Title:** Part 64, Pay Telephone Reclassification.

Form Number: N/A.

**Type of Review:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Respondents:** Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 400 respondents; 16,820 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 2.66 hours (average).

Frequency of Response: On occasion, quarterly and monthly reporting requirements and third

party disclosure requirements.

**Obligation to Respond:** Mandatory. Statutory authority for this information collection is

contained in 47 U.S.C. 151, 154, 201-205, 218, 226 and 276.

**Total Annual Burden:** 44,700 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$652,000.

**Privacy Impact Assessment:** No impact(s).

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: Confidentiality concerns are not relevant to these types

of disclosures. The Commission is not requesting carriers or providers to submit confidential

information to the Commission. If the Commission requests that carriers or providers submit

information which they believe is confidential, the carriers or providers may request confidential

treatment of their information under 47 CFR Section 0.459 of the Commission's rules.

**Needs and Uses:** The Commission established a plan to ensure that payphone service providers

(PSPs) were compensated for certain non-coin calls originated from their payphones. As part of

this plan, the Commission required that by October 7, 1997, local exchange carriers were to

provide payphone-specific coding digits to PSPs, and that PSPs were to provide those digits from

their payphones to interexchange carriers. The provision of payphone-specific coding digits was

a prerequisite to payphone per-call compensation payments by IXCs to PSPs for subscriber 800

and access code calls. The Commission's Wireline Competition Bureau subsequently provided a

waiver until March 9, 1998, for those payphones for which the necessary coding digits were not

provided to identify calls. The Bureau also on that date clarified the requirements established in

the Payphone Orders for the provision of payphone-specific coding digits and for tariffs that

LECs must file pursuant to the Payphone Orders.

Federal Communications Commission.

Gloria J. Miles,

Federal Register Liaison,

Office of the Secretary,

Office of Managing Director.

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